

House Resolution No. 1981

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State youths who have admirably demonstrated their potential as lifelong learners and future societal leaders through the excellence of their accomplishments as students; and

Whereas, Jessica Lemaster has attained considerable distinction as a twelfth-grade student at Nixa High School in Nixa, Missouri; and

Whereas, Jessica Lemaster recently enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when she earned First Place in Level III of the 2005 Letters About Literature essay contest sponsored by the Missouri Center for the Book, Missouri State Library, Library of Congress, and Target Stores; and

Whereas, the entry by Jessica Lemaster consisted of a letter to author Charles Frazier which explained how Cold Mountain changed her view of the world or of herself as a person; and

Whereas, challenged by the Letters About Literature essay contest to explore her personal response to a book, Jessica Lemaster then successfully expressed those responses in a creative, original way; and

Whereas, Jessica Lemaster and eleven other Letters About Literature winners from across the state will receive well-deserved public recognition on Wednesday, April 13, 2005, in the Missouri state capitol rotunda in centrally located Jefferson City; and

Whereas, part of the public recognition ceremony will be the reading of winning letters by their young authors; and

Whereas, each of the twelve young award-winning letter writers also will receive a Certificate and a cash prize in light of their outstanding accomplishment:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the achievements garnered thus far in life by Jessica Lemaster and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon taking a First Place in the 2005 Letters About Literature essay contest and our sincerest best wishes for continued personal and academic success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Jessica Lemaster, daughter of Jason and Carla Lemaster of Nixa, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jay Wasson
District No. 141

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1981, adopted April 7, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker